## WARRICK COUNTY COMMISSIONERS ORDINANCE NO. 2004- i7

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND WARRICK COUNTY COMMISSIONERS ORDINANCE NO. 1992-3 – AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A WARRICK COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE ENFORCEMENT AID FUND

BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Commissioners of Warrick County, Indiana, as follows:

Section 1. There is hereby created within Warrick County a Warrick County Sheriff's Office Enforcement Aid Fund identified as budget number 366-000.

- A. The fund shall consist of deposit in the form of cash assets obtained pursuant to forfeiture proceedings and other law enforcement related seizures recovered by the Warrick County Sheriff's Office which are not required to be deposited into the County General Fund. No criminal defendant shall be given a reduced sentence as a result of the forfeiture of any assets.
- B. The fund shall also consist of any monies that may be appropriated from time to time by the Warrick County Council to be utilized by the Sheriff's Office of Warrick County, Indiana, in its enforcement of the laws of the State of Indiana.
- C. The fund shall also consist of any orders of restitution of "<u>buy money</u>" as might be expended by the Warrick County Sheriff's Office in the enforcement of the laws of the State of Indiana.
- Section 2. Monies in the Warrick County Sheriff's Office Enforcement Aid Fund shall be subject to appropriation in accordance with Indiana Code 36-2-5-2.

Section 3. It is the stated intent of the Board of Commissioners of Warrick County, Indiana, in creating this fund, that the Sheriff's Office shall have the right to utilize the funds contained within the Warrick County Sheriff's Office Enforcement Aid Fund in the pursuit of all lawful law enforcement activities, including, but not necessarily limited to, the payment of money to informants, the utilization of funds to purchase controlled substances and contraband as a part of a law enforcement investigation, the payment of legitimate expenses incurred in confidential criminal investigations and similar type expenditures, and the purchase of enforcement and/or office equipment, or related expenses that will aid

in the investigative process as deemed necessary by the Sheriff.

Section 4. Before utilization of funds for confidential investigation purposes, the Sheriff's Office of Warrick County shall establish a standard operating procedure for the accounting for said funds.

This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and compliance with Indiana Code 36-2-4-8.

This ordinance shall replace Warrick County Commissioners Ordinance No. 1992-3.

The foregoing was passed by the Board of Commissioners of the County of

Warrick this 15 day of December, 2004.

WARRICK COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Don Williams, President

Carl Jay Conner, Vice President

Phillip H Baxter, Member

ATTEST:

Richard J. Kixmiller

**Warrick County Auditor**